

KNOX SAYS ROBBER TOOK ONLY A HAT

Secretary of State Denies That Thieves Stole Valuable Papers.

Philander Chase Knox, the Secretary of State, is not perturbed by the alarming reports sent out from Philadelphia that the Secretary's summer home, at Valley Forge, had been entered by burglars, who neglected to take any valuable property, but made away with important papers and documents.

He explained this morning that about a week ago a man effected an entrance into the house and took away with him only one of the Secretary's new hats, with the initials "P. C. K." on the hat band, and that nothing else was stolen. He said he kept no valuable documents at his summer home.

The burglar thoughtfully left his old battered derby in place of the new one he took.

Mr. Knox said he did not feel at all uneasy about the matter.

SUCCESSFUL SHOTS RECEIVE TROPHIES

High School Boys Honored by Prominent Citizens.

Secretary of War Jacob M. Dickinson, President William F. Gude, of the Washington Chamber of Commerce; Gen. James A. Drain, president of the National Rifle Association; D. J. Kaufman, and President James F. Oyster, of the Board of Education, spoke their praise of the marksmanship of Washington high school boys this afternoon at the exercises at the Western High School, in connection with the presentation of medals and team trophies won at the recent rifle shoot at Congress Heights.

As a climax of this rifle shoot, which was under the management of the National Rifle Association, today's gathering was of representative men, whose encouragement of the recent competition has given decided impetus to rifle practice among school boys.

Praises Patriotism.

The patriotism of the American boy, Secretary Dickinson said, is proverbial, but when backed up by an ability to shoot straight it went farther toward the protection of the nation. Secretary Dickinson was presented by Captain Oyster, of his remarks he presented to W. F. Wells, of the McKinley Manual Training School, the cup which he donated as a prize for the highest aggregate score.

Greatest eagerness was manifested by the representatives of the Central High School when their turn came to receive the much prized trophy cup presented to the individual who made the highest score. It was presented to J. M. Marx. The cup now becomes the property of the Central High School for one year. The school will have it three times before the permanent owner.

Marx, who is but sixteen years old, also received the Chamber of Commerce medal as the winner of the individual high school boy championship of the District. This medal was presented by President Gude, who, in a brief speech, complimented Marx on the extraordinary showing he made and also declared him a credit to his school and to the city.

Western's Share.

D. J. Kaufman and General Drain then presented to the winning students of the Western High School the medals they donated for high scores. The members of this team, which almost made a clean sweep in the recent rifle shoot, were A. Garner, S. Coville, R. Bourne, W. Herget, T. Rector, P. Richmond, G. H. Webber, T. Robey, H. Church and W. B. N. Brooks.

Participating in the exercises also were Lieut. Col. James E. Bell, inspector of rifle practice of the District Militia; Lieut. Albert H. Heston, secretary of the National Rifle Association; Col. Burton Ross, commandant of the High School Cadet Corps, and Capt. Harry Lay, U. S. M. C.

The Vital Records.

Births.

Percy J. and Nettie V. Thompson, girl, Matthews H. and Berenice E. Stevens, boy.

Frederick and Estelle M. McIntyre, boy.

Edward J. and Riva G. Kelly, girl.

Philip and Madeline Henrich, girl.

Charles O. and Anna M. Curtin, boy.

Christopher J. and Anna Cook, boy.

Charles C. and Ruby Cogley, girl.

Marriage Licenses.

Maitland R. Martin, of Washington, and Annie C. Collier, of Lynchburg, Va.

Thomas K. Conrad, of Chevy Chase, Md., and Julia B. Smith, of Gordonsville, Va.

Joseph L. McGowan and Catherine Dowling, of Washington.

William E. Howser and Anna F. Ligon, of Washington.

Jacob L. Eise, of New York, and Daisy T. Inskip, of Delavan, Ill.

George E. Holmes and Harriet Gardner, of Washington.

George G. Thompson, of Greensboro, N. C., and Lawrence E. Holly, of Washington.

John D. Bradley and Gertrude L. Lebert, of Washington.

Eugene A. Schaefer and Sue E. Nymann, of Washington.

Michael Flynn and Catherine Winston, of Washington.

Robert C. Elliott, of Bridgeville, Del., and Mabel H. Duckett, of Forestville, Md.

James C. Nesmith, of Washington, and Emma M. Chasler, of Alexandria, Va.

Irwin Pridgen, of Washington, and Sue L. Colby, of Bolivar, Ill.

Charles H. Schaefer, of Baltimore, Md., and Maud Rogers, of Washington.

Joseph Auerbach and Edna Weyl, of Washington.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 24.—Wedding licenses—Carl E. Usinger, Washington; Minnie Schriber, Highlandtown; Richard H. Young, Washington; Olive E. Huffman, Lewinsville, Va.

Deaths.

Neah Smith, 79 years, 601 M street northwest.

Kate Kennedy, 48 years, Government Hospital for the Insane.

Margaret W. Mackall, 77 years, 209 Dumbarton avenue.

Irving J. Pollock, 8 years, the Augusta, New Jersey and New York avenue northwest.

David Dickinson, 2 months, Azadia Park D. C.

MAY DRUG MURDERER BEFORE HANGING HIM

Pennsylvania Man, Under Sentence for Execution on December 2, Not Expected to Stand Strain of Waiting—Wife Fights to Save Him.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Nov. 24.—The spectacle of a man being chloroformed in order to be hanged may be witnessed here unless the State board of pardons intervenes to save Fred Rosena, under sentence to be executed at the county jail at Newcastle on December 2.

Rosena is in a state of nervous collapse which is developing into hysteria, as the day set for his death draws near. Sheriff Waddington avers that the man continually worries what will become of his wife and three small children.

Sheriff Waddington declares that Rosena, in the event his sentence is carried out, will have to be dragged to the scaffold by force or be overcome in some other way. The sheriff is considering a proposal to drug him, so he can be executed without a scene.

"I've hanged two men without resorting to drugs," the sheriff said today, "and the executions were successful."

I cannot say that I am in favor of giving a man drugs under such circumstances, but in a case like that of Rosena, what can an official do?

"Rosena has got to be taken to the gallows by force and held there by main strength until the rope is put around his neck and he is dropped, or something else must be done. I certainly favor taking any humanitarian means, as long as they are legal, to make a condemned man's death as easy as possible."

Every effort to instill courage and self-control into Rosena has failed. The sheriff takes the position that he is bound by oath to carry out the decrees of the courts, and he takes pride in doing so well.

The interned man's wife is fighting to save him. It was jealousy of her that led him to shoot and kill his own cousin a year ago last July. His youngest child was only seven days old at the time of the murder.

MYSTERY DEEPENS IN GIRL'S ARREST

Police Satisfied Hattie Leblanc Did Not Kill Glover.

WALTHAM, Mass., Nov. 24.—Composed, taciturn and still maintaining that she had no hand in the killing of Clarence Glover, seventeen-year-old Hattie Leblanc pleaded not guilty to a charge of murder, when she was arraigned here in juvenile court before Judge Luce today. A hearing in her case was set for December 8, and the girl was sent to the East Cambridge jail to await the unraveling of the mysterious case.

No further stories of the crime were given out after the hearing, and the girl, apparently, is to stand firmly by her declaration of innocence, though Glover, dying from his wounds, accused her point blank of his death.

Found Under Bed.

The Leblanc girl, who has been missing since she is alleged to have shot Glover in his laundry on Saturday night, was found under Glover's own bed in his house here just after his body had been carried out for burial.

The girl says that she hid under the bed immediately after the shooting. The police, who searched the house early Sunday morning, declare she was not under the bed at that time and positively intimated that some one had concealed the girl during the hide and cry.

Secreted By Friend.

This some one, they declare, has good reason to do so.

Today while the Leblanc girl is in the hands of the police Mrs. Glover is in her home here and a policeman is outside with instructions to permit no one to enter and to refuse to allow Mrs. Glover to leave. Whether or not any further arrests will be made today is as yet unknown.

According to the girl, she met Glover by appointment in the laundry. She declares the man overpowered her, and that she fled through a window she heard two shots.

Suspect Another.

"I didn't see anyone else there," she says. These statements coming, despite the fact that the presence of a second person had up to that time not been suggested to the girl, deepened the police suspicion that some other person was concerned in the killing. Who that was and the reason for Glover's death is what is still to be revealed.

The police here do not believe that Glover killed himself, they believe that he was killed by Hattie Leblanc. Why Glover should have acted as he did, they declare, they do not see. The bodies because of the vast amount of rubbish that covered them. That debris was cleared away early today, after dark.

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GIRL ENDS HER LIFE WHILE IN A CAB

Kate Wallace Drinks Carboic Acid—Father Identifies Body.

Unsuccessful in her attempt to end her life a year ago Kate Wallace, a waitress, again sought suicide at an early hour this morning as a cure for the troubles that beset her.

This time, the young woman drank carboic acid. She was in a night life hack at the time. The cabman, William A. Patten, found his fare writhing in agony on the floor of his cab. He hurried her to the Casualty Hospital, but she was dead before the hospital was reached.

The woman entered the cab at the corner of Twelfth and C streets northwest, and told the driver to go to a Capitol Hill address. It is believed she took the acid as soon as the cab started. As the driver reached the Capitol grounds he remembered that he had not ascertained whether the address he had been given was northeast or southeast, and he stopped his horse and went to the door to get the information he sought.

The woman was on the cab floor, her face and mouth badly burned and a strong odor of carboic acid filled the cab.

The woman was neatly dressed, but had nothing about her that would identify her. The morning the body was identified by W. F. Wallace as that of his daughter. She was twenty-three years of age and had worked for several years as a waitress in restaurants in this city.

MORE BODIES FOUND IN ILL-FATED SHAFT

Much Mystery Surrounds Work of Investigation at Cherry Mine.

CHERRY, Ill., Nov. 24.—Readers who worked most of the night in the St. Paul mine, located many bodies in the east side of the lower vein today. Accounts vary as to the number of dead found. Men who came from below said that 169 were there, although the coal company records show there were only eighty men left in the lower level when the first cut-off escape.

Much mystery has covered the work of investigating the lower level since last night. The most effective stories that have reached the top were to the effect that the entire party of men still in the mine were found buried beneath debris near the bottom of the stairway in the airshaft.

The three men who descended into the third level yesterday and found indications that the men had approached the escapement shaft after the fire did not see the bodies because of the vast amount of rubbish that covered them. That debris was cleared away early today, after dark.

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PLAN EXPOSITION IN SAN FRANCISCO

When Representative Julius Kahn of California suggested to President Taft today that San Francisco was to hold a great international exposition January 1, 1915, in honor of the completion of the Panama Canal, the President told him that the canal would be finished and the exposition could be properly held in that year.

The exposition is to be known as the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and will commemorate in addition to the Panama Canal completion the discovery of the Pacific by Balboa.

The promoters eventually will ask for a \$5,000,000 appropriation by Congress, and Mr. Kahn said today the State of California and the city of San Francisco each will raise a similar amount. He did not go specifically into the question of support from the Government in his interview with the President, but wished to obtain Mr. Taft's assurance that the canal would be completed by January 1, 1915, before proceeding farther with the project.

The exposition as now planned may continue throughout the entire year. All of the representative nations of the earth will be asked to participate. A bill will probably be introduced during the forthcoming session of Congress asking for the desired appropriation.

PEARY RECEIVED AT WHITE HOUSE

It was a highly appropriate atmosphere in which Commander Robert E. Peary moved as he stepped out of his carriage and walked toward the steps of the business annex of the White House, where he went this afternoon to call on the President.

As the flurry of snow beat against his face and figure, Commander Peary stopped a moment, pulled down the peak of his wide-brimmed fur hat, looked up toward the snow-laden heavens a moment, took a long breath, and then stepped toward the Mansion. Before he got to the door, the snow had formed a blanket upon his shoulders, and, as some one observed:

"Here comes Peary," another replied: "Well he's certainly in his element and looks like the real thing in the polar line."

Commander Peary was closeted with the President for half an hour.

RECEPTION GIVEN COMMANDER PEARY

Commander Robert E. Peary doubtless has a warm spot in his heart today for the Washington newspaper men, for the noted Arctic explorer and the Washington corps of writers became real chummy at the National Press Club yesterday afternoon, when a reception was tendered the conqueror of the North.

Commander Peary referred modestly to his twenty-three years of effort to land the flag at the Pole.

Among the members of the club present was Walter Wellman, who congratulated his successful rival and who had Peary's name entered on the register book as Wellman's guest.


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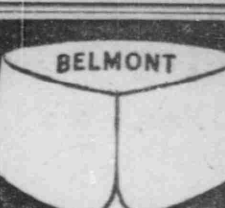
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EDWARD H. THOMAS, Secretary.

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